The Election_The Form of Voting_Im

portant Correspondence, WILMINGTON, V. C., Oct. 28, 1867. Sin :- There being considerable difference of opinion upon the right of an elector, under the Act of Congress and the order of the Commanding not for delegates, or for delegates and not upon the question of a Convention, and it being a matter of great interest and importance, I have presumed to seek an official decision upon it. I se this privilege by the voter, but desiring, as the editor of a paper, to be governed by unquestioned authority in any advice I may give, I hope it will not be inconsistent with your engagements or duty to favor me with an early reply. I am, very respectfully, Jos. A. ENGELHARD.

To LT. L. V. CAZIABO, Aid-de Camp, Actg. Asst. Adjt. Gen., Charleston, S. C.

HEADQUARTERS 2D MILITARY DISTRICT, CHARLESTON, S. C., Nov. 7, 1867. MR. JOSEPH A. ENGELHARD, Office Daily and Weekly Journal,

Wilmington, N. C. Sir: - In reply to your communication of Oct 28th, I have the honor to state that the Acts of Reconstruction leave no discretion as to the sub- formation. ject referred to by you to the Commanding Gen

Only those votes for delegates which conform can be counted in the canvass of votes.

Very respectfully, sir, your obedient servant,

L. V. CAZIARC, Aide-de-Camp, Actg. Asst. Adjt. Gen. It will thus be seen that the plan pro posed to defeat the call of a Convention by non-action cannot be carried out without abstaining from the polls altogether, and thus giving up the control of the Convention, should it be called, to the most violent Radicals. This we cannot afford to do. Without concert of action, any plan to defeat a Convention will be attended with disaster, and we must not run any risks of securing the election of Conservaof doing so.

Let all Conservatives, white and black, vote Against a Convention, and for proper candidates. General Canby informs us by the above lettter, that ballots which are silent upon the question of a Convention will not be counted in the canvass of votes. We cannot go behind this authority. Whether well or ill-advised, it is the law of the election, and we must be governed by it. It therefore becomes necessary for those citizens who had determined to remain silent upon the question of Convention to vote against it. Even in counties where there is no hopes of electing Conservative candidates, voters should deposit their ballots against a Convention and for the names of persons for delegates.

We hope those papers in the State which have endorsed the non-action policy will |-figures, the magnitude of which make give publicity to the above official letter insignificant the party cry of "local from the Adjutant General of this Military causes." In every State which has held District, and we trust it will find its way an election since the passage of the Reconinto the columns of those papers favoring struction Act, the great Democratic Con a Convention. Let our people be thor- servative party has made large gains .oughly advised as to their rights and in- There has been no single exception. structed as to the forms with which they | The New York Tribune, deploring these must comply in order to cast a legal vote. results, says that "unless arrested, the

end all differences between the opponents layed." Certainly, to delay and defeat of the Convention. All must unite in a reconstruction, as advocated and attempted 836 98; operating expenses, \$178 891 96, which direct negative vote. If from a want of by the Radicals, is just what the people inunanimity in the ranks of Conservatives t and by their votes. They favor recon- the necessary amount for sinking fund, to meet all the Convention will be called, let us mani- s ruction, but not such as will convert the fest that at least a large minority of the South into a Hayti-not such as will sub- without floating debt. people, composing a majority of the white ject the whites of ten States to the dominvoters of the State, will not endorse the ation of negroes. The North desires a unconstitutional and revolutionary action reconstruction of the South upon princiof Congress. If unavailing, let our pro- ples of humanity and justice, and such, test be manly and imposing.

The Official Vote.

We publish elsewhere a table comprising the entire registered vote of the State. It will be seen that the white majority is counties, except those sworn to them by wayman. the black supremacy. At least, the Con- We cannot afford to surrender our pros-

ble fate of Virginia, Georgia, Alabama and and districts where negroes have majori- is due to the Engineer and Superintendent to say Louisiana—the awful doom of Tennessee, ties must vote for delegates, that their votes he has executed these instructions with energy, without arousing ourselves to make a against a Convention will be effective. manly effort to save the Old North State. Let us unite. Let Conservatives in counfrom the Northern cities to the Southern Gulf It has not been in the power of the milita- ties returning negro majorities make no com- cities, over a line of road more than three hunry authorities to make the negroes supreme promises which may commit the party to any and curves. United action and energy will give in this State, and it rests with the white of the heresies of Radicalism. Rather by us a full share of it. voters to say whether they will permit it in our votes let us protest against these inthe future. Congress may do its worst- iquities, and look for relief from our white freights, because numerous objections have been may declare us territories-may disfran- friends differently situated. Never in the chise the remaining whites-may interfere history of the State was it more important with the rights of property-but they are that issues should be closely and clearly powerless, for their very rage and excesses defined. Policy, availability, personal amwill only the more certainly insure their bition, compromise must be cast aside. be completed at an early day, which will greatly defeat. The people of the North have already filed notice with Congress that they which the Northern elections have adopted intend to reconstruct the Government. The people of these States will regulate suffrage, and the negro must look to the whites of North Carolina, and not to the venders of Loyal League charters, or Radical peddlers and place-hunters for their future privileges.

Is the Reaction Real ?

Never was a party more thoroughly endorsed by the people than were the Radicals in 1866. Their majority in eighteen States was three hundred thousand. The Howard Amendment, upon which those elections turned, was not regarded as so violent a measure as to compel the desertion of a party with which so large a majority of the Northern people had been acting for several years. Besides, there had not been sufficient time to soften the bitter feelings and prejudices of the war, and even many good men were influenced in in thirty days. His journey ends at Chitheir hostile attitude toward the South on largo.

THE WILLIAM JOI KNAL account of the cowardly assassination of President Lincoln. We have always believed, and recent elections bave confirmed prejudices and not of principles influenced the result of the elections in 1866. As time and more correct information have amelio cated this virulence we find men leaving party connections which tend to increase them. The attempt, therefore, to increase General, to vote for or against a Convention and the stringency of reconstruction legislation has been most severely rebuked by the very people who have been so lustily relied sumed to seek an olicial decision upon it. I see on and quoted by Congress as authorizing nothing in the Act of Congress or in the order of Major General Canby, to prevent the exercise of the measures. Prejudices still exist-false hood and slander yet distill ipto the hearts

> lead them blindly into measures injurious to the whole country. It is to this change of feeling-of hearton the part of the North to which is properly attributable the great reaction of th present year-a change influenced as well by a natural and kindly sympathy of race the management of this road-for the inau-

venom, but not to such an extent as to

Some few party papers and politicians are so ignorant or knavish as to attribute o the Acts of Congress by being inscribed either after a Convention," or "against a Convention," all of these great changes to mere local and trifling causes. One paper attributes the change in Maine to constabulary reforms, another more truthfully ascribes the de feat in California to party corruptions. Temperance done the work in Massachu-

to the end of the chapter. We are satisfied that the negro did it everywhere. However this may be, the re-action is the public very great. wonderful and without a parallel in the political history of this country. The thirty-ninth Congress assembled with an endorsement in the eighteen States which ports of its officers. have held elections this year of three huntive members where there is any possibility dred thousand majority. Under their negro bad condition. Since that time there has been this year with the following result:

D	em. Maj.	Rad. Maj.
Maine New Hampshire Vermont Rhode Island. Massachusetts Connecticut New York New Jersey Pennsylvania Maryland Delaware Kentucky California Ohio Lowa Wisconsiu Minnecota Kansas	1,000 45,000 20,0-0 1,000 40,000 2,000 50,000 9,000	3,000 20,000 2,000 25,060 3,000 25,000 4,000 5,000
	168,000	102,000

Democratic majority, 66,000

Democratic gam, Here is a change of more than a third of a million in eighteen States within a year

This official decision must necessarily work of reconstruction is practically desooner or later, they will have. Thus we at the bellot-box.

Against a Convention,

Let electors recollect that votes for delegates will be invalid unless the words "For 31.403, which was doubtless increased to a Convention," or "Against a Convention" 35,000 by the registration of last week. are also on the ticket. It was no part of the There are twenty counties which return intention of Congress or the officers sent negro majorities, none of which will hardly to do their work to permit voters a free such crops to settle slong the road. be changed by the late registration. These choice in the elections. The Acts of Concounties, under the allotment of General gress, the orders of the military, are intend-CANBY, are entitled to thirty-six of the one ed more to bolster up the Radical party hundred and twenty delegates of which the than reconstruct the Union. They appa-Convention will be composed. We do not rently give our people a choice, but it is believe that the Radicals can carry many the "deliver or die" choice of the high- tion referring the matter 'to the President for

servatives should have seventy delegates, pects of electing a majority of Conservawhich gives the Radicals fourteen more tives. Therefore those opposed to a Con- Directors, which they ordered to be carried into and more valuable as the country is developed and than negro majorities call for. In Virginia vention must vote directly against it. Even operation, and Georgia but a few thousand whites in counties where there are no prospects of time, it would have been submitted to the last ansupported Radical candidates, and we do electing Conservative delegates, we must nual meeting, but for the absence of the President not believe that our people are less patri- unite upon a ticket so that our votes met with success as far as the experiment had otic or devoted to principle. It requires against a Convention can be counted. In been treed, it was specially referred to the committee of transportation composed of Management of transportation composed of tran only an effort upon our part to save North counties and districts where the election of Hogg, Kidder and Fremont, who made a very able Carolina from the unpromising condition | Conservatives are certain or probable, the of her sisters who have thus far begun the voters cannot afford to remain silent, but and Superintendent to continue negotiations al-We cannot calmly contemplate the terri-unity of action, those residing in counties from time to time to the Board of Directors. It

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA RAILROAD .-At a recent meeting of the Directors of this Company, the following resolution was

Resolved. That the President be instructed to take steps immediately, to put the Road from the Western portal of the Tunnel of the Blue Ridge to the French Broad biver, in the county of Bancombe, under contract; and as soon as the counties of Madison and Buncombe shall make reasonable county subscriptions, then to let the Road from Asheville to the Paint Rock, on the Tennessee line, to contract. The county subscription to in detail the receipts and expenditures for be expended in said counties respectively, and to this end it is ordered that the books be opened for the subscription of stock.

Weston the Pedestrian,

the pedestrian arrived here last night. An rebuilding, making the whole most eximmense crowd of people assembled to meet him. He left here this morning, expecting to reach Herkimer, a distance of sixty miles, this evening. Weston expressing to reach Herkimer, a distance of tracts from this report upon questions of and energy evinced by the late Wm. H. Laspeyre in the discharge of his duties, while in the service of the second control interest. expecting to reach Harkimer, a distance of ed himself as feeling in the best trim, and more general interest.

is confident of success. He has undertaken to walk 1,226 miles Wilmington and Weldon Raffroad,

In view of the general prostration of business, in the face of unpropitious crops, this opinion, that questions of feelings and and in spite of universal gloom and despondency, it gives us pleasure to be enabled to present so promising and favorable an account of the condition of the Wilmington and Weldon Raitroad, as is shown in the following extract of the reports of the President and the Chief Engineer and Superintendent to be submitted to the Stockholders of the Company to-day. The actual business of the road is such as to be most gratifying to its share-holders, while its prospects for the future are very enof the Northern masses their poisonous

The management of the road is such as to reflect credit upon its officers, and confirm the good opinion which the Stockto the whites of the South and detrimental holders evinced in their selection. We be lieve this is the only road in the South which has succeeded in funding its debt, and with this relief we may assuredly look for early remuneration to its Stockholders.

In one respect we are greatly indebted to as by the effects of time and correct in- guration of the policy which locks to the quantity, instead of the price, asked for the transportation of freight, to make it profitable. Through the successful exertions of the officers of this road through-freight tariffs have been adopted along our seacoast and to many points in the interior, the same speed with passengers, and at rates within the reach of all business men. setts. Lager beer in New York, and so on Much new business has thus been brought to our roads, and the profits to the Com-

We can better illustrate the present condition of the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad by giving extracts from the re-

President BRIDGERS says:

"At the end of the war the Road was in a very legislation, these States have responded expended on its reconstruction and improvement \$935,306 15; \$528,23; 80 has been paid from the earnings of the Road; \$1050 3 93 from the sale of old fron, and the remainder made the floating debt of the Company.

" It has become very difficult to carry this debt in a stringent money market it would have been almost impossible to have done it on any terms, such was the low estimate put on Southern se-

"With a view to funding this debt and getting i in such a shape that it could be carried in any condition of the money market, on the first day of July past, a mortgage on the Road and its prop erty was made to secure the payment of one thousand six hundred and twenty bonds of \$1,000 or £200 each, payable in gold, to run thirty years, with 7 per cent. interest. "By the terms of the mortgage eight hundred and seventy-one bonds were to be reserved, to

exchange for £127,000 or mortgage bonds due is 1881, and the remainder of them for £45,000 bonds without mortgage, due in 1886, which left seven hundred and forty-nine bonds for sale. "In the month of September, when it becam known that the bonds could be so d for eighty-five cents, with interest from the first of July, in view If the condition of the debt, and having twice ailed in Europe, and twice in New York, as dear as the terms were, they did not hesitate to put

ne bonds on the market, and have sold five hus ired and eight, and procose to sell ninety-one nore, making in all five hundred and ninety-nine eaving one hundred and fifty for future contin-"This sale will fund the floating debt, pay for new rolling stock and for one thousand tons of new

ail. The old rail thus obtained will buy about ax hundred tons of new rail additional. "The most of these bonds were sold in Baltimore. whose citizens have on several occasions extended aid to the Road. '10 meet the wants of an additional supply

f new rail, rebuild bridges and several wareionses which were destroyed during the war, the net earnings of the year will afford amplemeans. The gross earnings have been for the year \$583,um i ample to pay interest on debt, to set apart

'The business of the year has been v ry good and will compare favorably with the most prosperous of previous years. With improvements of others now in progress, a further increase may produce abundant fruit in the future

"The country along the line is admirably adapted to the growth of apples, peaches, pears, veread the verdict which they have rendered getables and grapes, and has two to four weeks adan early day a large quantity of these articles w.ll be sent to market.

"There is no better grape climate on the Atlantic coast, and in fruits and vegetables it will compare favorably with Delaware and New Jerwith great advantage of early maturing Sp cial inducements on ht to be offered to persons who will engage in the pioneer enterprise

will cause persons skilled in the cultivation of "Further increase of business can be made b in the interior and mountain regions of the State. as well as by the proper encouragement of

through freights "In April, 1866, in reply to a communication of through freights, the Board passed a resolu- we must not sleep. such action as might be deemed expedenti; ander which reference the Chief Engineer and Superintendent was instructed to prepare a the July meeting for the approval of the Board of

As this matter excited much comment at the report to the Board of Directors ; at which time a resolution was passed instructing the Engineer must vote, so, in order that there can be under such instructions and directions as shall company.

dred miles longer than ours, with heavy grades number of shares represented:

. The President and Board of Directors have made to the system, and they ask a declaration

f approval or disapproval. The completion of tracks through Petersburg and Bickmond, add much to the convenience of travel and of freights to and from the latter city. The Bridge across the Cape Fear Biver will greatly

they are informed, be completed during the pres-sent month; and during the next year the Road from Felina to Montgomery will be completed, and from Charleston to Savannah will be rebuilt.

These, with other works in progress, will add much to the future receipts. "The President and Directors recommend that the earnings of the Road of the present year be applied to its improvement, after which time, with the present receipts, they can pay expenses, interest and sinking fund, and make dividends to the

The report of Col. FREMONT, the efficient reports. Chief Engineer and Superintendent, gives the past year. The total result is contained in President Bridgers' report. He also subdivides the expenditures in the various ing preamble and resolution was adopted, viz : SCHENECTADY, N. Y., Nov. 8.-Weston departments and for reconstruction and plicit, easily comprehended and satisfactory to the stockholder. We make room for ex- means for their support, it is therefore

In regard to Way Freight he well says:

patrons, that local or way freights should be charged as law as the towest through raises, on the ground that our own people should be treated To this abstract as well as those at a distanc . principle no one can object. The true cause of complaint on this subject, however, is, that those who built and must sustain the road (the nonsubscribers have no reason to complain,) lose sight of their own isterests. Would any people, having completed a great work like this shut out its benefits to all the world but themselves, their neighbors and immediate friends because others living at a distance could not afford to use it, as d pay the same rate per mile that they (he owners) find it necessary to charge thems lves and their neighbors to maintain the Road, and pay an income upon their investment? Surely not. And yet this is precisely the case presented. We cannot get the distant business unless we carry it as low as it can go by other competing routes. Fhall we refuse to take it because of that fact, and run our cars half loaded with local business only, when we can fill them at less rates as additional busine s? We think not. All we can add to the recei; to from such sources is nearly all profit, and helps to reduce the local rates, and thus benefit the local patrons. In other words, will the local patrons maintain the line alone, or receive the as- | President and Directors, reported as follows : sistance of outsiders at such rates as they are

Col. FREMONT has shown great ability and evinced creditable energy in effecting a system of Through Freight which has surpassed anything of the kind yet attempted in this section. In this he has had the we have cause to congratulate ourselves that ours co-operation of connecting roads, and the effected such negotiations. Your committee ap- J. Sutton, E.J. ohnson, P. P. Rollins, and swaying them by bright hopes from the result thus far is summed up in his report prove the negotiations and take this occasion to

"From the commencement of this work, it seems that nearly all calculations for business to support the line were based upon "through travel." seemed for a moment to realize the vast amount of tonage transportation that could be done by uniting the several railway lines into one great thoroughfare over which to transport the valuable merchandize f. om the commercial centres to tion. His farness in attributing to Dr. Hogg fall spirit. by which means freights are transported at all points of our Southern country and to return praise for his share in the negotiation, we lit ewise otton and other valuable products to these

"Diff-ring somewhat from the general opinion pon this subject, I urged upon the connecting roads, anterior to the war, the arrangement for through freighting. The war demonstrated to us all that the large amount of transportation, rather panies have been good, and the benefit to than the high rates paid for it, was the true source

Acting upon this experience and the Lest after mature deliberation. The subject was fully discussed before the Board immediately after our last anoual meeting, on the presentation of my lettor (of Dec. 4) on the subject, and the whole matter | markets. was referre to the "Committee of Transportason," who reported, strongly u ging that steps be taken to put in firce the views set forth therein. The undersigned was clothed with full authority under the direction of the President to continue the negotiations he had already commenced with all connecting lines for new bus as we has to increase that aiready existing. work was at once resumed, and has been presed thereof. orward as rapidly as possible, and with most favorable results. We now have through freighting arrangements between Boston, New York, Philad lphia, Baltimore, Portsmouth, Va., and Wilmington, N. C., and all intermediate places on They have not been advised as to the change upon we were disposed to offer them—declaring by this this line of railway, with extension of these lines sai road, to Cheraw and all places on that road, to Charleston and all places on the North Eastern | road that a reduction of fare should be made, and Railroad, to Augusta and Atlanta, Ga., and to all the principal places on the South Carolina Railroad, and within a few days past I have been no- plishment of the object. tified that rates had been finally agreed to for a

Richmond tariff. "I am now in negotiation for through rates to Montgomery, Mobile and all Southern Alabama, all lost, they would respectfully recommend samption which prompts entire strangers to our that, I think will be successful, and open to us all that country for light goods.

Very recently complete arrangements were nade for the daily dispatch of goods from New York by the Camilen & Amboy Railroad, running arough without change of cars to Crisfie d. hence by steamers to Portsmouth and thence on same cars to this point or to Charlotte, ria Goldsboro'. Cot on will be taken in return with recommendation in order that the accounts may interests—white and black—and as such, we invite equal dispatch at as low rates as by any other | be cleared of that item. ute, insurance considered. "This completes the arrangement for a daily

fast freight line between New York, Philadel hia. Baltimore, Wilmington, N. C., and all points South and West of us, by and over our line, (or a part of it) at rates for carriage that will command a large business- one which will grow to proportions that will materially increase the value of our coived.

"The order of the stockho'ders of the North Carlina Railroad Company, adopted in Greensboro' in July last, by which the freight to and from that road, goirg or coming through Portsmouth, Va., should pass over the whole length of their road via Go.dsboro', has added to our receipts some \$11,500 00 for the months of August aud Septemb r, and it is believed that it will equal an averlives \$501 945 52 as the estimated profits. This age of \$6,000 00 per month for the entire year, r say \$70 000 00 per aunum from this new source of revenue. At the same time it adds to the rewants of the company and pay a dividend of 8 per ceipts of that Company about \$17,000 00 new incent. if the road had been in good repair and come-equal to about \$1,000 per mile for the portion of each road.

"I have the hurriedly enumerated our various new lines of through trade and business, that have been inaugurated during the past fiscal year. recently made in the line, and on the completion | they are properly watched and tended they will "I cannot close this subject without tendering

my thanks to Dr. Hogg, as-ociated with me on the ommittee of Transportation, and who readered most valuable services in wooking out results that vantage of time in the Northern markets, and at | were the basis of our action in initiating this work. | ments, best advance the interests of both Com-Upon the question of Connections Col. FREMONT says:

"The subject of our pa-songer and freight con ections with other roads brings prominently to iew the importance of looking to new routes hat are multiplying around us-some for our benefit and some that will have an opposite tenof growing these articles on a large scale. It dency I may mention the read now under conwould be well to hold out such inducements as tract from Baltimore to the Potomac, near Acquia Creek, that will be a very important adjunct Another road has been chartered to run from Alexandria to or near Fredericksburg, Va., that "Further increase of business can be made by Alexandria to or near Fredericksburg, va., that to Mr. Bridgers, in addition to his regular salary, making cheap freight for the bulky art cles grown will be qq.sliy valuable as a feeder to our south- so long as he may continue in the office of Prest common transfer of the State.

ern coast line.
"As the President will refer this subject a length, I will only say that I think it is one that should be carefully watched, and when the proper which was had, resulting in the adoption of the all over the great North and West, to restore to ength, I will only say that I think it is one that from an officer of an adjacent Road on the subject time arrives to be attended to. While others move, resolution.

Suffice it to say that such a line as this around the mountains," through a productive tion, which was adopted: country, free from the effects of the severe winters of the mountainous regions -a line connect through tariff, which was done and submitted to ing as it does all the principal commercial cities of North of the line of this company, and of the the "Atlantic plain" - cannot fail to become more ew connections are made.

> Proceedings of the Thirty-Second Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Wil-

MORNING SESSION.

The meeting was called to order by the election Hon. William H. Battle as Chairman, and Pat-

verify proxies to supply the vacancy caused b and has exhibited skill in the arrangements of the the absence of James A. Bradley, Esq., appointed at the last annual meeting. The committee to verify proxies, appointed at

> the last annual meeting, reported the following By Froxy 9,871

A majority of the capital stock of the Company being thus represented, the meeting was declared duly organized and ready for the transaction of resulting in the unanimous choice of Hon. R

On motion of Dr. A. J. DeRosset, the reading of the annua reports was dispensed with. Col. A. A. McKoy moved that the reports be received, and that a committee of three Stock- D. Wallace, Eli Murray, A. H. VanBokkelen, Alholders be appointed to consider the report of the fred Martin, John Everitt, George Harriss. President and Directors, and report on the same.

The Chair appointed as the committee Col. A. A. McKoy, Msj. J. A. Engelhard, and Col. Thos. son, held the State proxy. On motion of Maj. J. A. Engelhard, the meeting

adjourned to meet at 3} o'clock P. M., to afford an opportunity for the committe to consider the

AFTERNOON SESSION. S. D. Wallace, Esq., offered the following pre-

WHEREAS, At the Twenty-fifth annual meeting of the Stockholders of this Company, the follow-WHEREAS, .. m., H. Laspeyre, who for many George W. Collier were, on motion, re-appointed years had been a most faithful and energetic officer of the Company, lost his life while in the instant discharge of the duties of his office, leaving a widow and children almost entirely without L. Smith, J. A. Bradley and J. W. Thompson, the next annual meeting.

of this Company are directed to issue to some "This subject, as connected with our through suitable person, twenty shares of the capital stock business, requires a few words of remark. There of this Company, to be in trust for the private had discharged his duties. seems to be an impression with some of our home use of the widow and children of said Wm. H.

Laspeyre, during the life of such widow and after ner death for the use and benefit of the said Wm.

I. Laspeyre." And WHEREAS, The action of the Stockholders as above recited, has been rendered valueless to the said widow and children, in con-equence of the said Cempany being mable, by circumstances be youd its control, to declare dividends on its capita stock, therefore, in order to carry out the intention of the Stockholders to provide for the sai widow and children, be it

Resolved, That the Treasurer of this Company be authorized, and he is hereby instructed, to pay to the said widow one handred dollars per annum from the first day of November, 1836, until this Company shall declars and pay a dividend of profits on its capital stock.

Mr. O. G. Parsley offered an amendment ex tending to all widows who have lest their husbands, in a similar manner, the sum of one hundred dollars per annum, also. The amendment was

The resolution was, on motion, laid on the table, (ol. A. A. McKoy, from the committee appointed to take into consideration the report of the The committee to whom was referred the an

nual reports of the officers of the company have

given the subject as much consideration as the imited time admitted, and beg leave to respect-That the peculiar condition of the Southern roads have been such that negotiations could, with difficulty, be effected by our roads; and that was the first road in the Southern country that render to the President of the Company, the Hon R. R. Bridgers, those thanks which are his just due for his financial skill and ability, which contributed much (in the opinion of the committee) toward effecting this arrangement, which, considering the stringency of the money market, the low standard in Northern markets and the markets of the world of Southern securities, we have

to insure belief in its ultimate prosperity. The question of through freights we have fully mittee with the following report, which considered and approved, and can add nothing t was enthusiastically received and unanithe able argument of the Chief Engineer and Superintendent, Col. Fremont, in its behalf, to which argument in his report we respectfully call the attention of all the Stockholders an i others inte: -

ested in this matter. We would recomme d to the officers of the ights before us, the present system was adopted Company to advert se in the North the price of lands along our road; their a taptability to the growth of early 'ruit; the time it will require and the cost of transporting the fruit to the Northern

Your committee find that some care should be bestowed upon the subject of Way Freight, be neving as they do that in the breaking up of old and established classifications of freights some articles have been placed with higher classes of freight than either the interests of the road or the welfare of its parrons will justify, and therefore

examination on the part of the Directors and ferred the hand of strangers, red with the blood interests of the road are not sadly compromised thereby, that it is due to the local travel of said Therefore,

Your committee find that from 1862, a dividend was declared, payable in Treasury notes of the Confederate States, and as this money was cause, but for the brazen impudence and prethat this item should be credited to profit and loss, as there is no obligation on the Company to pay anything but Confederate money. The amount amendment, we have the utmost scorn and connecessary to meet this item of \$97,593, being detempt. They are neither of us nor forus, nor posited in bank in the currency ordered to be are we of or for them. paid when the dividend was declared, and nev-r be no debt as ainst the Company, and make this them to be good men who will do right toward all Judge Warren_ Meeting of the Sampson

Respectfully automitte T. S. KINAN, Jos. A. ENGELHARD, The report elicited considerable discussion, but was finally, on motion of S. D. Wallace, Esq., re-

construction of branches of the road, passed at stand ready to do or die, if need be; but for the the last session of the General Assembly. On mo- dismombered and rotten carcass of it, fed upon

Mr. Parsley submitted the following, which was WHEREAS. The weifare and interests of the Wil-

mington & Weldon and Wilmington & Machester success of the one is so entirely dependent upon Res leed, That any arrangements made by the Board of Directors of this Company, in accord with that of the Wilmington & Manchester Rair ad Company, tending to promote unity of

action and purpose for t e mutual advantage and coats and brass buttons, -some (a few) of those ward J. Warren, and publish the same in the Wilprosperity of both roads, will be approved by the | who wear them are gentlemen and clever fellows, Stockholders of this Company, and that the Presi- and we had rather be governed by them. involundent and Directors of this Company are hereby authorized and empowered to enter into such presided over by Thad, tevers. covenants and agreements as may, in their judg-

The following resolution was offered by Dr. A.

Resolved, 71 at this meeting has heard with much satisfaction of the successful efforts of the President, the Hon. B. R. Bridgers, in funding the floating debt of the Company, and in consideration of his valuable services in disposing of the bonds of the Company while so many other Southern Companies have been unable to make satisfactory financial arrangements, it is hereby directed that the sum of 220 per annum be tendered dent of this Company.

Dr. DeRosset also offered the following resolu-

Resolved, That in view of the new arrangement for direct intercommunication with the railroads over the Cape Fear river to connect our road with those South and West of us, as stated in the President's report, this meeting desires to impress upon the President and Directors the importance of continued efforts to reap the advantages of such mirgion and Weldon Railroad Com- greatly increased facilities for through travel and give notification of their appointment. reight, and they are hereby au horized and emlowered to encourage and to assist, by such investments or other means as they may deere judi-

rick Murphy. Esq. Secretary, to act in conjuncties for transportation of freight and assengers they be published. tion with J. W. Thompson, Esq., Secretary of the over our line between distant parts of the country. George Harriss, Esq., offered a resolution to On motion of Col. S. L. Fremont, Paul H. Lang- the effect that the salary of the Supermission of taries for the manner in which they disdon, Esq., was appointed on the committee to this Company, for the ensuing year, be increased charged their duties.

By universal consent, on motion of Maj. J. A. Engelhard, the question was referred to the Board Mr. J. G. Elliott offered the following resolu-

tion, which was adopted : Resolved, That the President and Board of Directors be empowered (if in their discretion it | is expedient) to employ a teacher for the apprentices of the road, in order that said apprentices other necessary branches. An election for President was then entered into

R. Bridgers for that position. On motion, an election for Directors was proceeded with, which resulted in the re-election of the old Board, viz: Messrs. W. A. Wright, S

Messrs. Edward Kidder, Thomas D. Hogg and John Norfleet were re-appointed Directors on the by the Chair to draft resolutions for the city who are entitled to vote under the acts of part of the State. Col. A. A. McKoy, of Samp-

On motion of Col. S. L. Frement, the Secretaries of the meeting and the Superintendent of the Company, were appointed a committee to superintend the publication of the proceedings of this

On motion of W. A. Wright, Esq., it was after the second Monday in November next.

Messrs. Patrick Murphy, John D. Love and Auditing Committee for the ensuing year. On motion of W. A. Wright, Esq., Messis. Wm.

The thanks of the meeting were, on motion o the efficient and satisfactory manner in which he

On motion, the meeting then adjourned.

For the Journal Meeting in Bladen.

In accordance with the wishes of the peo ple of Bladen county, a public meeting was held at Elizabethtown, this 5th of Novem ber, A. D., 1867, for the purpose of choosing and nominating suitable persons to represent the county in the coming Con-

The meeting was organized by calling Dr. R. F. Lewis to the Chair, and requesting Messrs. John T. Melvin, and R. H. Lyon to act as Secretaries. The Chairman called upon Colonel John A. Richardson to explain the object of the meeting, which was done by that gentleman in a concise and pertinent manner.

On motion, the Chairman was requested to appoint ten gentlemen to draft resolutions for the government of the meeting, and to select two gentlemen as candidates to represent the county in the Convention. lows : Messrs. John A. Richardson, John plause. P. Lytle, Dr. Wm. A. Bizzell, J. F. Gilles-

pie, J. McK. Mulford, R. S. Gillespie, Wm.

David G. Robason. During the interim, on motion of Dr. A. K. McDonald, Thomas H. Sutton, Esq., the political affairs of the country. Mr. applause. Sutton responded, and delivered a speech

on the political questions now agitating the no heritation in saying was a favorable negotia- country, ably, elequently and with much ing. Mr. Sutton was followed by Messrs. W. M. Roby, and A. Munroe, who entertained the meeting until the return of the com-

> mously adopted : REPORT OF COMMITTEE. To the Chairman and Members

of the Concention now in Session. Your Committee having discharged the duty assigned them, beg leave to report as follows They are unanimous in recommending John T

Melvin, Fsq., and Dr. R. F. Lewis as good and true men, and as such nominate them as Candida'es to represent us in the Convention. They also submit the following preamble and resolutions, and ask their adoption WHEREAS, The people of the County of Bladen have been divided by Radical emissaries into two classes, White and Black, and the black portion thorough and careful revision of them, to a large extent, have united themselves George Tatom, Miles P. Owen, John C. with the office-seekers, political tricksters and camp followers who have recently come among Allen M. Blackburn, Dr. C. T. Murphy and

the Stockholders a resolution was passed inviting them seeking greed and gain, and have thus preothers to the question of reduction of local fare. of our kith and kin, to the friendly grasp which the question, and would recommend that if the act of theirs, that neither politically, socially, or recommend that the meeting take such steps as "native and to the manor born," we unite, each

in their judgment may seem best for the accom- with the other and all together, for the preserva- for the success of the ticket. opposition to foreigners, negroes and bummers. Second-That we admire boldness in a good Constitution to offer themselves as cambidates to accept the nomination. represent us in a convention for its alteration or Third-That is support of the nominees of this

having been called, your committee now hold it to meeting we pledge our fullest exertion, believing the co-operation of all the good and well disposed colored people of the county, who are willing "to live and I t live," hereby declaring that we have no ill-will against those negroes, who, as sensible men ought to do, regard us in our true character and officers of the Court, held this day, their real and best friends—as time will show. Fourth—That as an expression and declaration of our "loyalty," (that being a powerful big word now-a-days and a sort of touch-stone for trial of Col. S. L. Fremont submitted the amendment to us) we have this to say-and those who don't like it may lump it-hat for the Constitution as it cas (without slavery-we don't want that), we

care a snap, but we would change it if we could, so as to restore it to its primitive beauty and excel-Fifth -That we are not such dear lovers of the "Union" (that's another tig word just now) as this week, has been such as to call forth our high-Rain ands are identical, and the prosperity and to sacrifice every feeling of State pride, and every principle of State's rights, in order that North Carolina may have representation therein; but we prefer "staying out in the coid," even till the political thermometer indicates many degrees below zero, to licking the hand or kissing the rod that smit s us. We have grown used to blue tarily, then to "dwell in the tents of wickedness"

> Sixth-That in the proscriptive legislation by which a portion of our tellow-citizens are distranchised and rendered powerless at the ballot-box, we recognize a spirit of contemptible meanness, usurpation and tyranny,—an ebullition of the infernal cauldron of hate filled up and danced around by the foul spirits of Washington; and we congratulate our tellow-citizens who thus "suffer for righteousness sake," on the speedy approach of a better day, that shall forever sweep away, Alamance . with its light of better civilization, the despotism | Alexander ... which now governs us.

Seventh and lastly-That although we mourn over the fate of our sister State, Virginia, mar- Ashe. tyred, but worthy, and great even in her woes and ashes, we are not without hope that her blessed common property of the American race, will, as the bleed of Abel crying from the ground, stir up her her jewels and her honor.

On motion, the Chairman was requested to appoint a committee of three from each district to act as a vigilant and executive Catawba committee to present the great questions Chatham. of the day; to awaken the people to a prospect of the speedy completion of the bridge sense of their danger, and to point out, if possible, the duty of all good men in this Cleveland our day of trial.

On motion of Mr. T. H. Sutton, it was Resolved, That a copy of the proceedings of sions, any scheme which they may think likely to this meeting be sent to the Wilmington Journal aid materially in still further increasing the facili- and Lacrosse Democrat, with the request that

On motion, the thanks of the meeting were tendered to the Chairman and Secre-

On motion, the meeting adjourned. R. F. Lewis, Chm'n. R. H. LYON, JOHN T. MELVIN, Secretaries.

> For the Journal. Meeting in Sampson,

At a meeting of the Conservatives may be advanced in the science of mechanism and Sampson county, held on Tuesday of Superior Court, at Faison's Hall, there was a

> seemed to pervade every heart. The meeting was organized by calling John C. Williams, Esq., to the Chair, and appointing Richard H. Lee, Esq., Secre-

On motion, a Committee was appointed action of the meeting.

The Committee reported the following preamble and resolutions, viz: WHEREAS, The dangers which threaten to de-

stroy all that is left of the Constitution of this country are such as to call for the hearty co-opmeeting, and instructed to send a copy to each eration of all the well-meaning men of the country, therefore, as Conservatives, without any regard to former political differences, we do pledge The Presbyterian Convention in Philaourselves to select two good men to represent the Resolved, That the next annual meeting of this county of Sampson, and to give to them the hear-company be held in Wilmington, on Wednesday ty support of all, without regard to personal or political preferences. Therefore, Resolved, That a committee of one from each district be appointed to select candidates for the

approaching Convention. Resolved 2d, That a committee of two from each of the twelve districts in Sampson county, be ap- and Cunningham. The exercises were pointed, whose duty it shall be to organize in their deeply interesting and pathetic. Addressus respective districts, meetings for the purpose of were appointed a Committee to verify proxies at exchanging views and disseminating information concerning the vital issues in the approaching election, and that one from each district shall attend a county meeting of the committee as of- Stewart, president. The Apostles' Creed vice of this Company, the President and Directors | Hon. R. B. Bridgers, condered the Chairman, for | ten as practicable, in order to report the condition and prospects of his district, that a perfect

organization may be secured. Resolved, That with a majority of five hundred, we can and will elect the nominee of this meeting. Society also adjourned this evening.

The Chairman, in accordance with the first resolution, appointed the following

committee, viz : From Taylor's Bridge, Patrick Merritt; Lisbon Kedar Vann; Turkey, Curtis Thompson; Little Cohary, Hardy Spell; McDaviel's, Neill Watson; Honeycutt'e, Alvin Royal ; Dismal, Jas. R. Maxwell ; Westbrook, Jas. Britt ; Mingo, Handy Warren ; Pinev Grove, John W. Giddens ; Hall's, Mathew I. Faison ; Clinton, Richard C. Holmes.

The committee then retired, and Colone Allmand A. McKoy was requested to address the meeting. He said he was at home, and he trusted that the meeting would request a speech from Col. Thomas S. Kenan, of Duplin, and moved that a committee of three be appointed to request Col. Kenan to address the meeting, which was unanimously adopted-Col. McKov promising to address the meeting until the committee could report. This he did until the committee introduced Col. Kenan to the meeting. The speech of Colonel Kenan was a neat, striking and masterly exposition of the condition of the country, at times stirring the souls of his hearers with the sad recital of the times, at others waking an enthusiasm The committee was appointed as fol- which found expression in rapturous ap-Well did he know the tender chords to strike, and with the touch of a master he stirred all nature in his audience. northern vote and arousing in them a determination to save the honor of their country. His effort must and will do good was requested to address the meeting on He closed his speech amid raptures of

> Dr. C. T. Murphy likewise addressed the meeting in a speech full of force and feel-

> The committee then returned and reported through their Chairman, R. C. Holmes, Esq., the following names for the action of the meeting, viz : Dr. Joseph D. Pearsall and Alexander Williams.

> Thereupon the meeting unanimously rat ified the nominations, and upon motion it was resolved that every man pledge himself to elect the nominees, which was done with an enthusiasm which meant something then, and will express more at the The Chairman then, in accordance with

the second resolution, appointed the following persons a committee on organization : A. A. McKoy, Peter B. Troublefield Col. John Ashford, John A. Oates, Daniel Roy, Robinson Ward, Alexander Wilson, William E. Pridgen, James Turlington, Wright, Murdoc White, William A. Faison, others.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the Wilmington Journal be requested to publish the proceedings of this most

A general good feeling prevailed, each man having pledged himself then and there Dr. J. D. Pearsall being present, accepted the nomination in a neat and appropriate speech. It was then announced, in the absence of Mr. Williams, that he would

The meeting then adjourned. R. H. LEE, Secretary.

For the Journal.

CLINTON, N. C., Nov. 8, 1867. At a meeting of the members of the Bar Hardy L. Holmes, Esq., the father of this Bar, was called to the Chair and Milton C. Richardson, Esq., appointed Secretary.

Thereupon Allmand A. McKoy offered the following preamble and resolutions: WHERFAS, The conduct of urbane and meritoby Radical vultures for the last five years, we don't rious officers deserve the public approbation of those with whom they are brought in association, and whereas, the official courtesy, thigh bearing evident learning and just discrimination of the

Hon. Edward J. Warren, presiding as Judge here est enconiums; therefore Resolved, That our thanks are due and hereby tendered to our respected Judge for his courteous bearing and great patience during the fatiguing duties of the term. Resolved. That the Secretary forward a copy of

the proceedings of the meeting to the Hon. Edmington Journal. HARDY L. HOLMES, Chairman.

MILTON C. RICHARDSON, Secretary.

No. of Registered Voters in the Several Counties of North Carolina,

COUNTIES. COUNTIES. 1326 777 Jones. Alleghany. 57 Lincoln.. Anson... 1081 1067 Maron... Madison. Beaufort ... 1457 907 Martin. 963 1265 McDowell 1060 1135 Mecklenburg . 1835 164 735 53 874 817 755 734 Mitchell Brunswick 1622 403 Montgomery. Borke 11015 431 Moore Cabarrus. 1231 748 | Nash 1048 869 Caldwell. 997 209 New Hanover. 1736 2975 593 405 Northampton. 1139 1810 1126 721 Onslow 1105 1845 Orange . 1315 315 Pasquotank. 2466 1055 | Perquimans . 826 31 Person 941 903 Chowan. 586 640 Pitt . 1296 1500 389 14 Polk... 1390 373 Randolph 474 120 2192 452 744 681 Richmond 991 1067 The committee was appointed by the 531 3108 Robeson. 1509 11404 1454 1421 | Rockingham. Cumberland. 1421 1302 Chairman, and the Secretaries directed to 919 381 Rowan..... 2134 679 Rutherford... Currituck ... Davidson ... 1459 454 863 484 Sampson ... Davie ... 1461 953 1414 969 Stanly ... 927 259 Duplin 1194 25 3 Stokes. Edgecombe. 1247 397 1311 437 Surry... 1482 273 Forsythe 457 1100 1483 Transylvania . 1007 445 Tyrrell . 595 240 734 468 Union 1294, 422 1845 2662 Wake 690 692 Warren 803 2208 2457 1054 Washington . 674 548 Guilford ... 830 521 Wayne..... Harnett 80 Wilkes..... 2139 241 Havwood. 814 191 Wilson . 1021 897 Henderson Hertford. . Hyde... Iredell 1859 757 767 56

turns of registration in this city since the books were first opened here, the five days last week inclusive. During the last session of the Board large attendance, and general enthusiasm the number of whites registered have somewhat decreased the black majority. Many names were stricken off the lists during the last session, but many who were previously rejected have been permitted to register under General Canby's explana-The following is the return we have received,

REGISTRATION .- We give below the official re-

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delphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 8.-In the Presbyterian Convention to-day a deputation from the Episcopal Convention was received, consisting of Bishops McIlvaine and Lee, Rev. S. H. Tyng, Jr., and Messrs. Brunox were made by the members of the depotation, and were replied to by Rev. Drs. Houge and Stearns, H. P. Smith and George H. and Lord's Prayer were recited in common. The Convention adopted an address and adjourned. The Evangelical Educational